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MIAMI DIVISION WEEKLY SUMMARY

ARTHUR T. POTTER, Director of Security, Florida State Racing Commission, on 3/12/62, advised that ALFRED MART (Miami File 165-3) was ejected from the Gulfstream Race Track, Broward County, Florida, as a suspected bookmaker on 3/5/62.

MM 806-PC advised a move is under way to organize bolita operators in Dade and Broward Counties to reduce payoffs from 70% to 60% and that this is contingent upon the alignment of corrupt law enforcement agencies to arrest the bolita operators not agreeing to the 60% figure. MM 806-PC also advised HYMAN MARTIN (Miami File 92-218) is person bankrolling the more active bolita operators in Dade and Broward Counties.

On 2/16/61 HERSHIE LAFF (Miami File 165-10) was afforded a hearing on his motion to suppress the evidence in connection with the charge of "Failure to Possess a Federal Wagering Tax Stamp". This motion was denied by Judge CHOATE, USDC, Miami, on 3/2/62, after first taking same under advisement. MM 807-C on 3/9/62 advised that plans are under way to construct the Silver Key Golf & Country Club at 205th St. & Biscayne Blvd. LEONARD LOWENSTEIN is Vice President of same and is presently seeking capital to get the project going. MM 807-C

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stated on 3/12/62 that he received word that HERSHIE LAFF heard about the need for additional capital and personally contacted LOWENSTEIN, stating he had been in the construction business in Chicago, Ill., and that he had some people who were interested in furnishing the additional capital needed to get construction started. This source also said he was told that the club had received a tentative mortgage commitment of \$350,000.00 and needed about \$100,000.00 additional to get construction started. According to information received by MM 807-C, LAFF was told by LOWENSTEIN that his offer would be given due consideration and that he would see him later.

JOHN H. OLIVER, PCI, on 3/11/62] advised that JOSEPH ANTHONY INDELICATO (Miami File 92-404) was now in possession of a 21 foot Century Speedboat, Florida Registration #FL5678E; originally issued to SID LEVINE, 1273 Marseille Dr., Miami Beach, on 4/10/61 but which was not renewed the latter part of 1961 or 1962. OLIVER also advised that on 3/10/62 INDELICATO intended to make a trip to Hollywood, Florida, to see JOE SONKEN, operator of the Gold Coat Restaurant and Lounge, which is a hangout for the criminal element.

LUCIEN RUSHTON SKEELS, PCI, advised he heard that ANTHONY RICCI (Miami File 92-112), his former blonde wife, "TINY", her friend "SKIPPY" CASTAGLIANO, and SAL (LNU), operate the lounge at the Carlsbad Spa in Hollywood, Fla.

MM 509-C on 3/8/62 advised that JOSEPH MASSEI (Miami File 92-122) again changed his habits and is now hanging out daily at his office at 23rd & Collins Ave., Miami Beach, and no longer frequents the Amvets Post #35 Club daily. He stated he also learned that JOHN TRONOLONE (Miami File 92-455) is now doing some shylocking out of MASSEI's office. In addition he learned that MURRAY GOLDBERG is now bookmaking out of the Piccadilly Hotel, Miami Beach, and is inclined to believe this is JOHN

TRONOLONE and CARMINE TRONOLONE's operation since GOLDBERG previously assisted CARMINE TRONOLONE in operating his bookmaking establishment in the cigar stand located on the first floor of the old Midtown Social Club on Collins Ave. between 22nd & 23rd Sts., Miami Beach.

MM 509-C also advised that he heard SAM DiCARLO (Miami File 92-103), as well as other gamblers and bookmakers around 20th & Collins, Miami Beach, are interested in investing money and securing membership in the Silver Key Golf & Country Club previously mentioned.

Miami is in process of establishing a highly confidential source relative to EDWARD J. McGRATH (Miami File 92-82).